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SUBJECT: SOVIETS IN ARREARS FOR GPO SUBSCRIPTIONS

1. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE HAS ADVISED DEPARTMENT THAT MEZHDUNARODNAYA KNIGA IS SOME 58 THOUSAND DOLLARS IN ARREARS FOR GPO SUBSCRIPTIONS. GPO WAS PREPARED TO CANCEL SUBSCRIPTIONS DEC. 13 BUT, AT DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST, HAS GIVEN SOVIETS UNTIL DEC. 20 TO PAY DEBTS.

2. DEPTOFF, DEC. 13, CONTACTED YURIY MELNIK, TRADE REPRESENTATION COORDINATOR FOR MEZHDUNARODNAYA KNIGA WHO SAID HE WAS DOING ALL THAT WAS POSSIBLE TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM, I.E., HE HAS SENT ALL RELATED FORMS AND INFORMATION TO SOVIET AUTHORITIES IN MOSCOW. DEPTOFF SAID THAT WHILE THIS WAS A MATTER BETWEEN MEZHDUNARODNAYA KNIGA AND GPO, DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO SEE ISSUE CLEARED UP AND ASSUMED SOVIETS WANT TO AVOID CANCELLATION OF SUBSCRIPTIONS SINCE SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE FOR PUBLICATIONS USED BY VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTES ALL OVER THE USSR. MELNIK REPLIED THAT THE SOVIET SIDE BELIEVES THE ARREARS FIGURES GIVEN BY GPO MAY BE SOMEWHAT HIGH BUT THAT HE WOULD AGAIN

CONTACT MEZHDUNARODNAYA KNIGA, TELL THEM OF DEPARTMENT
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HELP AND INTEREST AS WELL AS GPO CONCERN, AND ATTEMPT TO

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